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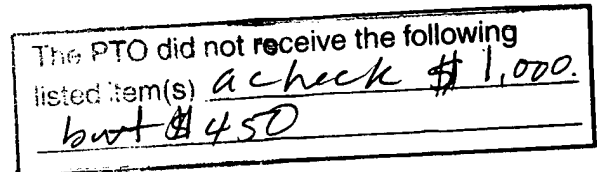
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re Application of:)
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Christian TOURRE et al.) Group Art Unit: 3728
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Application No.: 09/852,712) Examiner: S. LUONG
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REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 41.47, Appellants request an oral hearing before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for the pending appeal in the above-referenced application. Appellants consider an oral hearing necessary or desirable for a proper presentation of the appeal. This request is timely since it is made within two (2) months of the mailing date of the Examiner's Answer and January 17, 2005, was a federal holiday. 37 C.F.R. § 41.47(b); 35 U.S.C. § 21(b). A check for the required fee of \$1,000.00 is enclosed.

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